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Global Code of Ethics for Tourism

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 56/212 of 21 December 2001 and its decision 58/573 of 13 September 2004,

Recalling also its resolution 58/232 of 23 December 2003, by which it approved the Agreement between the United Nations and the World Tourism Organization,

Recalling the Manila Declaration on World Tourism of 10 October 1980,[1] the Rio Declaration on Environment and Development[2] and Agenda 21[3] of 14 June 1992, and taking note of the Amman Declaration on Peace through Tourism of 11 November 2000,[4] the Johannesburg Declaration on Sustainable Development[5] and the Plan of Implementation of the World Summit on Sustainable Development,[6] the Declaration of Barbados[7] and the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States,[8] the Mauritius Declaration[9] and

* On behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77 and China.

1 A/36/236, annex, appendix I.

2 *Report of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development, Rio de Janeiro, 3-14 June 1992* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.93.I.8 and corrigenda), vol. I: *Resolutions adopted by the Conference*, resolution 1, annex I.

3 Ibid., annex II.

4 See A/55/640.

5 *Report of the World Summit on Sustainable Development, Johannesburg, South Africa, 26 August-4 September 2002* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.03.II.A.1 and corrigendum), chap. I, resolution 1, annex.

6 Ibid., resolution II, annex.

7 *Report of the Global Conference on the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States, Bridgetown, Barbados, 25 April-6 May 1994* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.94.I.18 and corrigenda), chap. I, resolution 1, annex I.

8 Ibid., annex II.

9 *Report of the International Meeting to Review the Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States, Port Louis, Mauritius, 10-14 January 2005* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.05.II.A.4 and corrigendum), chap. I, resolution 1, annex I.

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the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States,[10] and the Brussels Declaration[11] and the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010,[12]

Noting the growing socio-economic importance of tourism all over the world, especially in developing countries,

Stressing the substantial contribution of tourism to poverty eradication, sustained economic growth and sustainable development, as well as cultural understanding and peace among nations and the achievement of the internationally agreed development goals, including the Millennium Development Goals,

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary General;[13]

2. *Expresses its satisfaction* with the establishment of the World Committee on Tourism Ethics, composed of high-level experts, for the implementation of the principles of the Global Code of Ethics for Tourism;

3. *Commends* the agreement on the Procedures for Consultation and Conciliation for the Settlement of Disputes concerning the Application of the Global Code of Ethics for Tourism;

4. *Reiterates the invitation* to Member States to consider introducing, as appropriate, the Global Code of Ethics for Tourism in their national legislations and relevant laws, regulations and professional practices, and, in this regard, recognizes with appreciation those Member States that have already done so;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General of the World Tourism Organization to take all the necessary measures to provide the World Committee on Tourism Ethics with institutional and administrative support for the complete and successful accomplishment of its work;

6. *Calls upon* Member States and other stakeholders to give support to the activities undertaken by the World Tourism Organization in favour of developing countries, and to its sustainable tourism programme for eliminating poverty, and also calls upon donor countries to provide funding to the Sustainable Tourism-Eliminating Poverty (ST-EP) Foundation and, where appropriate, to the ST-EP Trust Fund;

7. *Emphasizes* the need for the promotion of sustainable tourism for the benefit of all sectors of society;

8. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its sixty-fifth session on the developments relating to the implementation of the present resolution on the basis of the reports of the World Tourism Organization.

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[10] Ibid., annex II.
[11] A/CONF.191/13, chap. I.
[12] Ibid., chap. II.
[13] A/60/167.